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"THE P.I.P." NARRATIVE OF THE BOER WAR.

LORD SALISBURY'S trumpet-call—addressed to the nation through the Primrose League—will be answered by men of all political parties. The Prime Minister's heavy cares and anxieties must have been greatly increased by the fact that one of his own manly sons, Major Lord Edward Cecil, "B.-P.'s" right-hand man, has shared the perils of besieged Mafeking; but the noble Marquis is patriotic enough to look beyond the War, which will soon terminate. Rightly weighing the hostile words printed in the Continental Press against Great Britain, he foresees the International difficulties which may obscure the horizon as quickly as a thundercloud gathers in the Summer. These difficulties may spring up at a moment's notice, notwithstanding that the Foreign Powers themselves use friendly language in their State communications with our own Government.

To be Forewarned is to be Forearmed—virtually says Lord Salisbury. Our military duty will not end with the avenging of Gordon and of Majuba Hill. We must be ready to face the possible contingency of a foreign invader. With a population of five or six millions, London, as the Premier seasonably pointed out, is the heart of the nation, and, the heart once struck, the history of England might be ended. Hence the reason for Lord Salisbury's powerful appeal, which is so all-important as to deserve to be quoted in full—

"My feeling is strong that we are in danger, when this present war has passed by, of forgetting the anxieties it produced and forgetting the lessons it has taught us. It is for you to struggle against that tendency. It is for you to urge upon all the necessity of placing yourselves in the position of an armed nation—a nation such as the Swiss, whose strength lies not in its numbers, not in its military organisation, not in the brilliancy of its negotiations, but in the spirit of those who love their country and are prepared to die for it."

Our Brave and Gallant Volunteers (whose love of country has been well proved by the willingness with which the C.I.V. and comrades have risked their lives for Queen and Empire in South Africa) provide a ready-made organisation not only to recruit good shots from the rising generation, but also to garner in a Landwehr force of veterans who proved their skill at the butts at the renaissance of the Volunteer Movement, into which Britons are now infusing fresh life throughout the land. It is exceedingly opportune that the Military Tournament opens at the close of this week to point the moral and adorn the tale of Britain's naval and military power.

Lord Roberts's Swift Advance to Kroonstadt from Bloemfontein, where he carefully prepared for the march, surprised no one acquainted with the thoughtfulness and thorough mastery of the art of war that characterise "Bobs." In a page Drawing last week we showed how Lord Roberts reviewed the Guards under handsome General Pole-Carew as they marched through Bloemfontein on their way to the Front. It was not generally thought then that Lord Roberts himself would so quickly proceed in the same direction. But those who entertained that idea did not know the "Hero of Kandahar."

The Record of "Bobs'" Movements was succinctly set forth by Reuter's War Correspondent in his despatch from Smaldeel dated May 8 (last Tuesday week)—

"It is now a week since the forward movement commenced. There are many points in the operations worthy of notice. When everything had been prepared for the advance, Lord Roberts was still concerned as to his right flank. The Boers were resolutely contesting the passage of our troops near Thaba N'chu, hoping to delay our advance by forcing Lord Roberts to devote the whole of his attention towards clearing his flank. Instead of doing so, Lord Roberts made the operations on the flank part and parcel of the forward movement. While De Wet, with Ladybrand as his headquarters, was imagining that he was stopping the progress of the whole British army,

Generals Pole-Carew and Hutton Had Taken Brandfort,

car, ing the total collapse of De Wet's resistance, and forcing the Boers to hurry towards the Zand River. It is now apparent that the Boer raid to the south was a desperate measure, due to the

Advocacy of Mr. Steyn

who knew that the Free State forces would melt away if inactive. To-day I had a long conversation with several men who had delivered up their arms and surrendered. One questioned me as to whether the Russians had landed in England. Another stated that reports had been circulated in the Vet River lager that England had to grant peace and independence to the Republics owing to the pressure of Russia and France. They acknowledged that their

Losses Had Been Mendaciously Minimised.

There could be no doubt whatever of the sincerity of their reiterated asseverations that they were heartily sick of the war. This afternoon another batch of burghers arrived from Zand River. All agreed in stating that strong recriminations were passing between Transvaalers and Free Staters. The former now no longer concealed their anxiety about their own country, and were openly discussing the idea of leaving the Free State to its fate.

Lord Roberts's Force can be Truly Described as an Army of Veterans,

for every regiment has received its baptism of fire. The men have learnt all the tricks of camp

THE "POWERFUL" NAVAL BRIGADE AT THE ROYAL MILITARY TOURNAMENT, AGRICULTURAL HALL: THE "NICK-OF-TIME" LADS WHO SAVED LADYSMITH.

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life, and are in grand condition. They are healthy and hard, and browned by the sun, and are able and willing to march anywhere. But though confident in their fighting powers, the troops show no outward signs of elation. They march with the same calmness as they marched up to the trenches at Magersfontein. Only they know that they will never be asked to undergo any unnecessary sacrifice. A special feature of the operations has been

The Gallantry of the Colonials.

Lord Roberts congratulated Major Wilkington, of the West Australians, on their gallant feat of arms in capturing an important kopje at the Vet River. The Canadians, New Zealanders, and Australians with General Hutton have all shown a wonderful aptitude for this style of warfare.

Great Credit is Due to Colonel Girouard

and his staff for the rapidity with which the line has been repaired. They hope to finish the deviation across the Vet by the 10th. Six trains with supplies were unloaded on the south side of the Vet to-day. The whole arrangements for transport are admirable. In this connection,

Colonel Ward, Who Fed the Ladysmith Garrison,

deserves high praise. The days are now beginning to shorten. It is dark at half-past five, and the nights are cold. We expect hoar-frost shortly, but the health of all the troops is extremely good."

The Tale of Bobs' Victorious March

is next taken up by the representative of the "Central News":—

"RIET SPRUIT, May 10 (9.15 p.m.).

"The operations to-day have been crowned with complete success. General Hutton's scouts

GENERAL HUTTON, Whose Colonial Troopers have done excellent service in the Free State.

GENERAL IAN HAMILTON.

had on the two previous days ascertained with fair accuracy the enemy's position and strength. Last night the Cheshires crossed the river, entrenched themselves, and prepared to hold the passage for the regiments coming after them.

"At daybreak this morning the main body crossed the stream at two or three places. The mounted infantry were then in action, clearing away the advanced Boer forces in readiness for the general advance.

"The enemy held a very extended line, difficult to defend. In most cases they fell

MAIN ST KROONSTAD

back the instant their flanks were threatened. The Boer right first gave way, but

General Tucker and General Ian Hamilton

had a tougher task on the left. The enemy had six guns, and served them well, working with great determination. But closer and closer our gallant fellows worked up to them, our guns meantime keeping up an incessant fire.

The East Lancashires and the Sussex Men

had by eleven o'clock worked well to the front. An order was given, and like a flash these two splendid regiments sprang forward simultaneously, and in a few moments had secured two commanding ridges. The enemy's line was thin, and the Boers here fell back directly they perceived our men coming on.

"Our advanced line was now within 1200 yards of the enemy's main trench. They were already losing heart from the demonstrations on their flank. They kept up a rapid but a mild fire, and at this moment the

Order for the Final Charge was Given.

"Away went the Lancashire and Sussex lads again; but the Boers could not stand. They fairly bolted, and the rout of the enemy along the whole line was then complete. Our cavalry and mounted men are close up with them, and in hot pursuit."

A Reuter message added that our loss was insignificant. Our advance continued. Twenty Boers were taken prisoners.

Lord Roberts on the Vet.

Marching with General Pole-Carew's Division, "Bobs" thus summarised the Vet River scrimmages in his despatch to Lord Lansdowne—

"SMALDEEL, May 6 (3.30 p.m.).

"We crossed the Vet River this morning, and are now encamped at Smaldeel Junction. The enemy are in full retreat towards the Zand River and Kroonstad. The turning movement made by the mounted infantry just before dark yesterday was a very dashing affair. The Canadians, New South Wales Rifles, New Zealand Rifles, and Queensland Mounted Infantry vied with each other in their determination to close with the enemy, and Captain Anley, Essex Regiment, commanding the 3rd Infantry Battalion, behaved in a very gallant manner. The naval guns and artillery made excellent practice, particularly two 5-in. guns, used for the first time with this force. We captured a Maxim gun and twenty-five prisoners. Our casualties were very few—only fifteen wounded, one killed, three missing."

The Boers Driven from the Zand River.

Let the Press Association War Correspondent next take up the running with a fresh record of victory—

"ZAND RIVER, Thursday, May 10 (via Brandfort, Friday, May 11).

"To-day the Boers, after much apparent vacillation, made a stand on the kopjes north of the Zand River; but to those who have followed the operations since the beginning it was evident that the enemy were fighting without heart or spirit. The net result of the day's work is that the Boers have been pushed twenty miles north, and we have captured about thirty prisoners. The enemy's killed and wounded also numbered about thirty, while our losses are about twenty.

"An early advance was made in three columns, Generals Hutton and Pole-Carew moving along the railway on the left, General Tucker in the centre, and General Bruce Hamilton's Brigade on the right, while General Ian Hamilton operated on the extreme right.

"General Wavell's Brigade Advanced

to attack the Boer right, the East Lancashires forming the first line. As they advanced along the plain they were subjected to an accurate pom-pom fire as well as shell and shrapnel Nevertheless, the movement was continued calmly. The brigade met a hot infantry fire, which, however, was ill-timed; for there were few casualties. The South Wales Borderers, who supported the brigade, used their Maxim, which, together with that of the Lancashires, poured in a deadly fire. Suddenly the enemy were seen streaming along the ridge. No. 62 Battery then opened fire, and placed several shells with great accuracy among them, and the position was gained.

THE STRAIGHT ROAD FROM KROONSTAD TO PRETORIA.

"Nine prisoners were taken, among them being one of the European legion — a German, named Trickman, from Erfurth. He pretended to be a journalist, but this statement was discounted by the fact that he carried a rifle. Inasmuch as he was found hiding behind a cactus-bush, he did not appear to have displayed much courage.

This wing of the enemy was now in full retreat: but their left still held out against General Bruce Hamilton's advance.

"The new position taken up by the Boers was on two low rocky kopjes.

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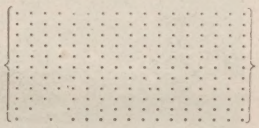

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encountered shell fire, for the enemy had placed guns on the summit of the kopjes. The advance was made across the plain, and was supported by the fire of the 57th and 81st Batteries. When the Sussex Regiment had approached within 500 yards, they

Fixed Bayonets, and with a Cheer Charged the Hill in a Grand Rush,

driving the Boers pell-mell before them. They took a few prisoners, and poured in a hot fire among the runaways.

"The Boers were now in full retreat all along the line. They showed no desire to fight, but adopted good tactics, alternately running and fighting for the rest of the day. Taking up positions in a favourable spot, they mounted guns and shelled our advancing infantry; then retreated the moment our guns were unlimbered.

General Ian Hamilton's Mounted Infantry

drove the enemy's left on to their centre. After retreating for a few miles, the Boers again extended, and continued to adopt these tactics until nightfall."

Another Instance of Boer White Flag Treachery.

In his Kroonstad despatch of May 13, Lord Roberts said: "There were more casualties in the Cavalry Division on the 10th inst. than those reported by me.

"I have not been able to get the exact account of what occurred, as the commanding officer, Captain Elworthy, was killed, and the two officers who were wounded at the same time have been sent to the rear. But it would appear that a party of our men, going up to a kraal on which a white flag was hoisted, were suddenly attacked by a large number of the enemy.

"Two officers, Captain Haig, of the 6th Dragoons, and Lieutenant Wilkinson, 1st Australian Horse, were taken prisoners, and twenty-one men are still unaccounted for. Some of these may turn up, as the cavalry covered considerable distance on the 10th, and men reported missing have been rejoining during the last few days."

Lord Roberts Hoists the Union Jack at Kroonstad, and Reports the Further Flight of the Deposed Steyn.

Skipping several immaterial despatches from Lord Roberts, we come to a very important one, despatched by his Lordship last Saturday afternoon—

"KROONSTAD, May 12, 2 p.m.

"I entered Kroonstad without opposition at 1.30 to-day, when the Union Jack was hoisted amidst the cheers of the few British residents.

"Mr. Steyn fled last evening after vainly endeavouring to persuade the burghers to continue opposing us.

"The Transvaalers said they would fight no longer in the Orange Free State, and made off for the Vaal River.

"The Free Staters accused the Transvaalers of having made use of them and then deserted them. Many of the Free Staters have gone to their homes.

"The procession entering the town was headed by my bodyguard, all of them Colonials.

"After the staff and foreign officers came the North Somerset Company of the Imperial Yeomanry, followed by Pole-Carew's Division, consisting of Guards and the 18th Brigade, the Naval Brigade, the 83rd, 84th, and 85th Batteries, two 5-in. guns manned by Royal Artillerymen, and the 12th Company of Royal Engineers.

"The rest of the force are encamped around the town.

"Before leaving Kroonstad Mr. Steyn issued a proclamation making Lindley the seat of the Free State Government. Botha, the Commandant-General, and De Wet both accompanied the Transvaalers."

According to the *Daily Telegraph's* Correspondent, "Ex-President Steyn on Friday absolutely used the sjambok upon the Free Staters who had declared their intention of deserting."

Bravo, "Bobs"!

Reuter's man at Warrenton informed us on May 4 that "British shells were bursting in Transvaal territory this afternoon. The new gun 'Bobs' dispersed three Boer laagers yesterday, and to-day it was turned on another six miles east of the bridge, and well within the Republican border line.

"The shells occupied twenty-five seconds in reaching their destination, and burst with terrific effect. There were several narrow escapes on our side from the fire of concealed Boer sharpshooters."

General Hunter Found the Boers Near Rooidam

on May 5. They were not in large numbers, their total strength being less than a thousand. But their positions were of great natural strength, and the enemy had constructed elaborate entrenchments. General Hunter engaged the enemy with Barton's Fusilier Brigade, consisting of the Scotch, Irish, Welsh, and Royal Fusiliers, and several batteries of Royal Horse Artillery. The action soon became general. While it was in progress the Northumberland Yeomanry, under Colonel Meyrick, worked round the Boer flank.

The Welsh Fusiliers and the Royal Fusiliers, after several hours' long-range fighting, had gradually got near the enemy, and late in the afternoon General Hunter gave the word for a general assault. Our batteries furiously bombarded the Boer positions, and then the Welshmen and the Royals with loud shouts charged with bayonets fixed. Some of them got home amongst the enemy, but the majority of the Boers had already reached their horses and were in hasty flight, having discovered that the Yeomanry and a Horse Battery menaced their retreat.

Six Boers were bayoneted in their trenches and a number wounded. We captured five prisoners, of whom two were wounded. The Yeomanry also inflicted further losses upon the flying enemy. Colonel Meyrick has reason to be proud of his men.

A Charge by the Combined Cavalry Under General Ian Hamilton

is sketched by one of our Artists. By this smart action he succeeded in preventing the junction of two Boer forces by a well-executed movement by some of the Household Cavalry, the 12th Lancers, and Kitchener's Horse, who charged a body of the enemy and inflicted serious loss.

Buller Bags the Biggarsberg.

From Stone Hill Farm, May 14, Reuter's War Correspondent in Natal communicated the good news that "after a four-days' march in an easterly direction to the foot of the Helpmakaar Ridges, which form the front and left of the enemy's positions along the Biggarsberg, the Second Brigade on Sunday led an attack on this line, Lord Dundonald's Cavalry pressing the Boers in on the centre, while Bethune's Mounted Infantry advanced simultaneously on the extreme right as far as Pomeroy. A small party of the enemy awaited our approach on a ridge overlooking Helpmakaar, but they did not remain for an assault."

The Flying Column for Mafeking.

On May 9 the British Flying Column passed through Vryburg, ninety-three miles from the town.

This force is wholly distinct from that of Sir A. Hunter's main column, whose object is, it is understood, to operate along the north bank of the Vaal in conjunction with Lord Roberts's advance.

The Mafeking relief force was organised specially for the service it is now undertaking, and it is said by the Boers to be about 3000 strong and to have six guns.

It is undoubtedly partly but not wholly cavalry, including—and this is practically certain—the Imperial Light Horse detachments from Natal.

"Captain Maclaren recovering rapidly, and wounded men in Boer hospital doing well.

"Regret to report following deaths from fever—

"April 22.—Sergeant-Major Schreiner, Cape Police; 707 Private G. S. Richards, Cape Police. April 24.—260 Trooper Caradoc Ivor Evans, Protectorate Regiment."

Colonel Baden-Powell has (according to Reuter's special) also sent the following message to Lord Roberts—

"After two hundred days' siege, I desire to bring to your Lordship's notice the exceptionally good spirit of loyalty that pervades all classes of this garrison.

"The patience of everybody in Mafeking in making the best of things under the long strain of anxiety, hardship, and privation is beyond all praise, and is a revelation to me.

"The men, half of whom are unaccustomed to the use of arms, have adapted themselves to their duties with the greatest zeal, readiness, and pluck, and the devotion of the women is remarkable.

"With such a spirit our organisation runs like clockwork, and I have every hope that it will pull us successfully through.

"The citizens are preparing to celebrate the two hundredth day of the siege by horse dinners.

"It is suggested here that the funds which we see from Cape newspapers are to be employed in festivities on the relief of Mafeking should be devoted to defraying the cost of a trip to the sea of all the women and children who have gone through the siege."

Photo. Stephen Cribb, 200 Oxford Street.

A BIG DRAW AT THE MILITARY TOURNAMENT IN THE AGRICULTURAL HALL: HOW LADYSMITH JACK MANIPULATES HIS 4.7 PEASHOOTER.

"B.-P.'s" Plucky Stand at Mafeking—

subject of an Illustration not without a touch of poetry—will immortalise the name of Baden-Powell in military history. For over six months, with Lord Edward Cecil (Lord Salisbury's gallant soldier son) as chief staff officer, has this wonderfully self-contained man, one of the most extraordinary combinations of prudence, astute generalship, and brilliant personal charm ever known, held the fort, so to speak. All the Realm will rejoice when the glad news comes of his relief. The premature jubilation at Reading last Monday betokened in a measure how deeply we are all interested in the fate of this courageous garrison and its vigilant Commander, whose gaiety at a "Smoker" and ceaseless watchfulness of the Boer besiegers have been brought home to us so vividly by the graphic word-pictures of the *Times'* Special and of Lady Sarah Wilson, the *Daily Mail's* admirable representative.

The following despatch from the General Commanding at the Cape has been published by the War Office—

"CAPE TOWN, Tuesday, May 8.

"Base Commandant, Bulawayo, forwards following from Baden-Powell. Begins—

"MAFEKING, Wednesday, April 25.

"Please inform Chief of Staff all well. Situation unchanged.

"Enemy to-day made another so-called attack upon our south front, shelling us for two hours with four guns, and made half-hearted infantry advance with plenty of musketry.

"As ordered, our guns, Maxims, and rifles made no reply, hoping to draw them on. Enemy mistrusted silence, and eventually fell back. Our casualties, one man killed, one slightly wounded.

On April 27 (so wrote the *Daily Mail's* "Own Correspondent")—

"Everybody has an empty stomach and a pinched face.

"Mr. Bradley, of the Surrey Hotel, made up a dinner and invited all the correspondents. It was a perfect god-send.

"A fowl has been raffled for 30s., and only a few dry vegetables are left. The High Commissioner's letter saying that there are only three or four weeks' confinement in front of us is cheering us a bit.

"A military tournament has been arranged for to-morrow."

Reuter's Pretoria agent wired that "on Monday morning the burghers attacked Mafeking. The telegraphist at Malopo states that there was a heavy rifle and cannon fire before six o'clock. The Kaffir location was in flames within an hour, and was totally destroyed. At ten o'clock, however, everything was quieter."

The first pigeon despatched by General Plumer arrived safely at Mafeking within four hours. A second pigeon despatched the following day failed to reach its destination, and a third was sent on April 24.

Sir John Leng gave expression to the national feeling of anxiety regarding Mafeking last Monday when he put the question to which Mr. Wyndham returned this reply—

"We hope most earnestly that Mafeking will shortly be relieved; but for the present we think it better to give no information as to Lord Roberts's plans."

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THE WORLD OF PASTIME.

MR. HAROLD HILTON, AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPION.

FOUR times in the final and once successful, is the record of Mr. Harold Hilton in connection with the amateur championship at golf. His right to hold the title was gained last week over the St. George's Golf Club links at Sandwich. Such a result created no surprise, for Mr. Hilton had from the commencement of the season shown most excellent form over the links of his own club, the Royal Liverpool, and elsewhere. The two players who fought out the final of the previous year at Prestwick were both away. Lieutenant F. G. Tait we shall, alas! never see again, but Mr. John Ball, junior, will, I hope, return safely, and endeavour to make up the number of his successes in the amateur championship to six. Mr. Hilton and Mr. Ball are the only amateurs who have won the open championship, the first-named on two occasions. This reminds me that Harry Vardon, the champion, is back from his very successful tour in America, and, doubtless, awaiting the coming of the all-important competition which is to be held at St. Andrews on June 6 and 7. The Ladies' Championship, which has become quite an important affair by reason of the capital play of the fair sex, was commenced at Westward Ho on Tuesday last.

Two Victories in One Week for Yorkshire and Lancashire.

Chiefly due to Rhodes, who took eleven wickets for 36 runs, and in a less extent to Haigh, who secured seven for 49, the match being finished in four hours and a half. This gave the Northerners two days in which to prepare for their match at Catford. Here the batsmen shared in the honours of victory, for Wainwright played an innings of 116, Mr. Ernest Smith made 46 and 61, and Hirst's first innings was only one short of fifty. Still, the bowlers were by no means out of it, and, indeed, in the first innings of Kent six wickets were taken by Brown junior, at a cost of 84 runs. The highest score for Kent was 40 by Humphreys, and the best bit of bowling that of five for 50 by Alec Hearne in Yorkshire's first innings.

Lancashire

beat Hampshire by 265 runs, just four less than the winner's second innings total, towards which Ward contributed 80. Hampshire scored only 95 runs altogether, eleven of their wickets falling to Webb for 41 runs, and eight to Cuttell for 46 runs. Hampshire are this season deprived of the services of Colonel Spens, Major Poore, Captains Wynyard, Bradford, and Quinton. Lancashire's second win of the week was against Derbyshire, and was a bowlers' match. Briggs secured eight Derbyshire wickets for 51 runs, Webb six for 40, and Mold five for 20.

Surrey

batted very successfully against much-weakened Hampshire, everybody (Mr. D. L. A. Jephson 84, Hayward 56) but Mr. V. F. S. Crawford and Wood getting double figures in the only innings the county was called upon to play. Brockwell (six for 27) in the first innings and Lees (eight for 31) in the second proved too much for the Hampshire men. Earlier in the week, Surrey had scored well against Warwickshire, thanks to Hayward's 131—a fine innings; but then the midland county, for whom Lilley played grandly for 112, had set them a heavy task, and continued to play ducks and drakes with the Surrey bowlers at the second time of asking. Kinneir 98 not-out, W. G. Quaife 124 not-out, and the total at 243 for two wickets: that was the position of the Oval visitors' second innings, when time arrived on the third day.

Warwickshire

are evidently in form this season, for after their good show against Surrey they got Leicestershire out for 47 (Santall chiefly eight wickets for 23 runs). Leicestershire, thanks to Mr. C. J. B. Wood, who made 114, did better in their second innings, scoring 240, but this still left them in a hopeless position, and Warwickshire won by eight wickets. It was a very strong team that Mr. A. J. Webbe got together against the University, and, as far as the weather allowed the match to proceed, the Light Blues were completely outplayed. K. S. Ranjitsinhji made 158, Mr. C. L. Townsend 58. For the University Mr. R. N. R. Blaker made 78, and Mr. A. E. Fernie took six wickets for 104 runs.

M.C.C. and Ground,

thanks to Messrs. Key and A. P. Lucas and J. T. Hearne and A. E. Trott, won their match against Leicestershire, but they lost easily to Sussex, for whom Bland and Cox bowled very successfully. One week proved sufficient to show to the cricket legislators that the

Boundary Net

regulations, as they originally stood, would not work fairly or in a desirable direction, and last week's matches at Lord's were played under altered conditions. The hit over the net was rewarded with five runs, the hit out of the ground with four. This does away with much that was anomalous, but I am not convinced that the adoption of the net will have the effect its promoters fondly imagine, and, moreover, it is not to be supposed that the net will become general, for it would mean a considerable addition to the expenditure side of a club's balance-sheet.

Good Cricket in Cold Weather.

"Winter lingering in the lap of May" is not a new experience, but it is one that is certainly not conducive to the pleasures of either players or watchers of cricket. At the commencement of the present week it may have been that fieldsmen suffered from numbness of fingers and lack of that suppleness that comes to them in the warm weather. Whether or no, some batsmen found opportunity for making many runs. At Leicester the match was Surrey and Leicestershire, and the former went in first. Mr. V. F. S. Crawford, son of a rare old enthusiast who, in his prime, played for Kent, made amends for a failure of last week by scoring 72; but the time for exercise was when Lockwood and Hayward got together. One made 71, the other, who was not Lockwood, scored 167. The day was then out, but not so Hayward, whose

Fourth Innings of Three Figures

this was for the present season. Notts went to the West of England, but found the atmosphere no more genial than in their own district. They did very well, thanks chiefly to their new captain, Mr. A. O. Jones, who scored 73, but Gloucestershire, for whom Wrathall scored 63, had the better of the situation at the close of the day. I regret to say that Notts have lost a strong supporter through the death of Mr. William Wright, father of Mr. C. W. Wright, the old Cambridge University cricketer and deputy-captain of Notts. The deceased was at one time hon. secretary and treasurer of Notts, and certainly no one worked with greater zeal for the county. At Worcester it was the bowler who achieved the greater amount of distinction. For London County W. G. Grace and Santall did tolerably well, but it was Wilson, of Worcestershire, who carried off the honours, for he took five of the seven wickets the home side lost, and three of them with consecutive balls. Wilson had previously hit up 78 runs in sixty-five minutes. There was bright cricket at headquarters, where M.C.C. and Ground were at home to Yorkshire. The County did fielding work early in the day, and had plenty of it, for

Carpenter Made 125

and Mr. P. F. Warner 83, and when the last wicket fell the total was 346. J. T. Hearne dealt out destruction at the beginning of Yorkshire's innings—proof that his fingers were not numbed.

The Team from the West Indies

will, according to latest advices, leave for England on the 25th inst., with the Hon. Arthur Warner as captain. It is to be hoped the north-caster will by that time have gone

The Late Tom Hearne.

Until within the past year or so there was no more familiar figure or cheerier presence at Lord's than that of old Tom Hearne, head of the ground staff. Poor Tom is no more. He died at his residence at Ealing on Sunday last. Born on Sept. 4, 1826, he at an early age was associated with cricket of an important character, and during a brilliant career he rendered yeoman service to Bucks, Middlesex, and the M.C.C., while he distinguished himself on several occasions in Gentlemen v. Players matches. His best work was done on behalf of Middlesex, for which county he played with much success.

Surrey B.C. Spring Meeting.

There is little doubt that cycle-racing under its present conditions has no great charm for the spectacle. The long crawl and short spurt have killed the sport. At Saturday's meeting the company was very limited, though the venue was the Crystal Palace. The Sydney Challenge Trophy (half-mile scratch race) was won by H. S. Chambers, Catford, after a close finish. For the challenge cup race (ten miles) there was better riding and a fine finish. H. W. Payne, West Roads, won, but by a few inches only, from A. S. Ingram, Polytechnic, who in turn held but half a yard advantage of A. L. Reed, Queen's. It must, however, be mentioned that these positions might have been altered but for a spill early in the last lap, S. Holloway, F. Burnand, and H. S. Chambers all falling.

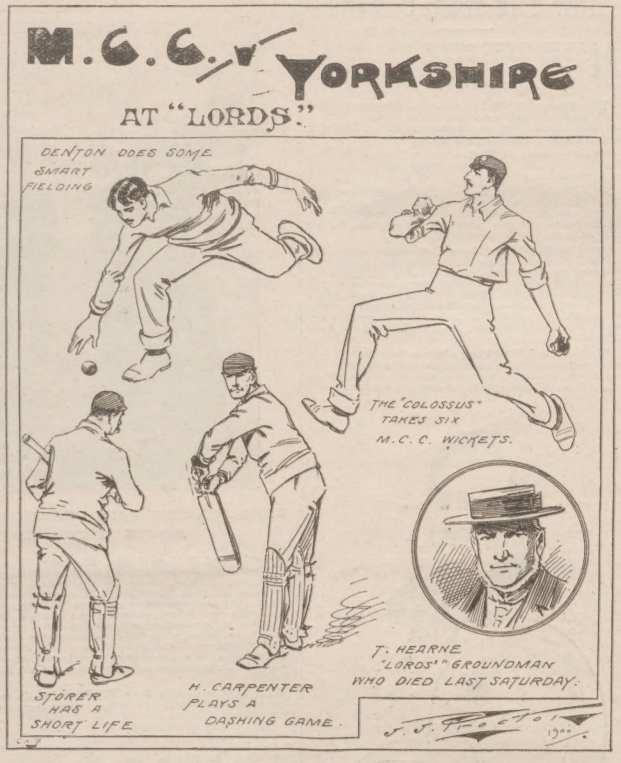
Edmonton C.C. Sports

were held on Saturday in uninviting weather, and good fields and excellent sport in consequence failed to give the same amount of enjoyment as would have been the case had the atmosphere been as it was on the previous day. C. Bennett, Highgate Harriers, received 10½ yards in the sprint (100 yards), and won, and all through the afternoon the short-start men found getting through a task they were unable to cope with successfully.

BANSHEE.

H. S. Chambers, Catford (Half-mile Scratch). H. W. Payne, West Roads (Ten Mile Scratch).

SURREY BICYCLE CLUB SPRING MEETING AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE LAST SATURDAY.



THE RACING WORLD.

AMERICAN JOCKEYS came into special prominence last week—

Tod Sloan,

by reason of his very excellent riding, more especially on Roughside in the Chester Cup; and Martin, through his particularly bad riding of one of Mr. Musker's two-year-olds at Kempton.

Morny Cannon

is the last rider to object, and when you find him so indignant and upset as he was after Martin had prevented the Income colt from landing at Sunbury, you might well believe that he had really been very badly treated. The Stewards took this view, and reported the American to the Stewards of the Jockey Club.

I do not think that we saw any high-class three-year-olds out either at Chester or at Kempton.

Lumley Moor Won

in good style, but did not beat much, and Darling's Derby horse, Disguise II., had only Lady Min opposed to him for the Dee Stakes. He seemed to me to run somewhat shiftily, but I should mention that his trainer was pleased with him, and that means a great deal, because the Beckhampton stable is in rare form just now.

The public, as a rule, had a goodish week, for very many backed

Roughside,

who may be said to have made all the running, and

Won the Chester Cup

without being challenged save by Manners, who had no sooner ranged alongside than he "quitted." I should think that, after this season, we shall find more horses than ever who have proved themselves useful on the flat given a course of hurdle-racing. Roughside has certainly benefited greatly by being schooled and trained over hurdles. At the same time, I cannot join friends in lauding all concerned in the horse for the extreme cleverness in finding him a course to suit him. He has been given his chances, and came off luckily, but there can be no particular cleverness in trying to sell for a few hundred pounds a horse capable of doing what Roughside has this season.

Though big in its way, Chester was altogether

Dwarfed by Kempton

and its Jubilee Day. This handicap is very nearly, if not quite, the most popular of all, and should be more so now, because adding the extra quarter of a mile, by means of using ground outside the boundary of the park proper, must help to give all horses a more even chance than they used to possess. The war no doubt accounted for a slight falling off in the strength of the attendance; I mean to say that, good as it was, it must have been better but for so many regular patrons being away.

The Prince,

who did not go to Chester this year, was at Kempton; but I am afraid would not back

Sirenia,

who upset a very great pot indeed in Merry Methodist. A most unlucky horse was the second, for he got out of his stride in crossing the track across the course, otherwise it is little likely that the lead he held could be wiped off. Sirenia and he were

Racing Head and Head

for the last fifty yards, and the fate of the battle was decided through the Irish mare's taking off first for the last stride. Her win gave the bookmakers a fine turn, of which they had sore need, for the talent had been getting the best of them of late. The fielders will, I fear, be hoping that

Diamond Jubilee

may fall back into his old bad ways. The Newmarket Stakes, the chief feature of a very quiet meeting at Newmarket, looked at his mercy, and so to some great extent did the Derby. His putting these two good stakes to the Prince's credit seemed mainly a question of his being tractable. He might be confidently expected to keep on his good behaviour at Newmarket, but getting him to Epsom, and managing so that he should not be upset by the stress and noise of the vast crowd, must be very difficult.

Forfarshire's Adherents,

having this contingency in view, regained the confidence they had lost, being for the most part of opinion that their champion's public trial at the last Newmarket meeting was a much better one than was generally supposed. Both Chevening and Disguise II. have been greatly fancied.

BENDIGO.

A Village Hampden.—Earl Carrington has promised to unveil, at the end of this month, a tablet to be erected in Hampton Wick to the memory of Timothy Bennet, the village shoemaker who many years ago successfully contested the right of the Crown to close Bushey Park to the public.

Naval Manœuvres.—The Press Association's Portsmouth correspondent states that the naval manœuvres this year will, it is understood, be on a larger scale than those of 1899. Mobilisation will take place at the several ports during the first week in July. The coastguard and coast-defence ships have received orders to maintain their full complements in readiness for the manœuvres.

Indian Famine Fund.—Messrs. Brown and Polson, whose name will be familiar to everybody in connection with their celebrated "Patent" Corn Flour and Paisley Flour, have made a second contribution to the above fund, the donation on this occasion taking the handsome form of 2000 tins of their Corn Flour.

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HOW THE WORLD WAGS.

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN has sent to Colonel Kekewich a signed photograph of herself "in recognition and appreciation of his valued services during the long and resolute defence of Kimberley."

The Prince of Wales, accompanied by the Duke of York, presided at the annual meeting of the subscribers to the Royal Naval Fund on Monday morning at the Royal United Service Institution, Whitehall.

The Princess of Wales held a Drawing-Room on Monday afternoon, the presentations being considered as equivalent to presentations to Her Majesty.

America's Gift to India.—The steamer *Quito* sailed from New York on the 10th inst. for Bombay with 5000 tons of corn, contributed by Americans for the relief of the Indian famine sufferers. The vessel was chartered for the purpose by the United States Government.

New Judicial and Legal Appointments.—It is officially announced that Her Majesty has approved the following appointments: The Right Hon. Sir Nathaniel Lindley to be Lord of Appeal in Ordinary in the place of Lord Morris resigned. Sir Richard Webster, Bart., Q.C., M.P., to be Master of the Rolls in the place of Sir Nathaniel Lindley. Sir Robert Finlay, Q.C., M.P., to be Attorney-General. The Right Hon. Edward Carson, Q.C., M.P., to be Solicitor-General.

Sir Richard Webster, who was born in 1842, is a widely known man both in legal and political circles. He still takes a most lively interest in athletics, and he used to tell with considerable gusto the story of a witness who,

Sir Richard Webster.

The Rt. Hon. E. Carson. Sir Robert Finlay.

when under cross-examination, blurted out: "I knows yer, Sir, and many 's the time I've given yer a 'and when you've been a-stepping it round the track like a greyhound; so let 's down easily, like a good cove what yer are." Sir Richard won the 'Varsity mile in 1865. On his elevation to the Peerage, he has a wide choice of titles. He may become Lord Webster or Lord Winterfold or Lord Cranleigh (though the Earl of Onslow is Viscount and Baron Cranley).

Sir Robert Finlay, the new Attorney-General, also first saw the light in 1842. He was educated at Edinburgh Academy and Edinburgh University. At the latter he graduated in medicine, but was called to the Bar in November 1867. He became a Bencher of the Inner Temple. As an M.P. he sat for Inverness Burghs from 1885 to 1892, when he was defeated, but regained the seat in 1895.

Mr. Carson, the newly chosen Solicitor-General, is a member of a Dublin family. He married the adopted daughter of Mr. Gavine, a county inspector of the Royal Irish Constabulary. His brother is an eminent member of the Royal Army Medical Corps, and his mother died a few months since. Mr. Carson's promotion as Solicitor-General for England beats the record in two particulars.

OPEN AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP AT SANDWICH LAST SATURDAY: HILTON (VICTOR) DRIVING OFF FOR THE FINAL.

He is the first holder of the office who has been Solicitor-General for Ireland. He is, moreover, the first Solicitor-General who, before his appointment, was a member of the Irish Privy Council. The new Solicitor-General will take precedence, except when pleading at the Bar, of the new Attorney-General, who is not a Privy Councillor. Only one other gentleman has been a member of the Privy Council when Solicitor-General—the late Mr. Stuart-Wortley, who before his appointment to the Solicitor-Generalship in 1857 had been Recorder of London, and had been, when Judge-Advocate-General, sworn of the Privy Council.

Retirement of the Rev. C. Garrett.—In more than one circle the name of the Rev. Charles Garrett is a household one. He is a native of the ancient Dorsetshire borough of Shaftesbury, where he was born over seventy-six years since. In 1882 he was President of the Wesleyan Conference, and for a period has been in charge of a most successful mission in Liverpool. As a writer on religious and temperance topics he is not unknown, his tract "Stop the Gap" being very popular. Now that he is retiring into private life he will carry with him the sympathy of other than Wesleyans, for his work in the great Northern centre has been many-sided, to say nothing of the circuit and special preaching engagements he has filled in various parts of the country. It is interesting that at this year's conference three "fathers" retire. Charles Garrett, Joseph Posnett, and John Jeffreys were candidates for the ministry together; all went to the same college—Richmond; all became fast friends; all took part in the first missionary meeting ever held at Richmond College, and all together, after fifty-one years of honourable and useful service, seek the quiet of life's eventide.

The Rev. C. Garrett.

The Royal Masonic Institution for Boys may well plume itself on the fine start given to the new Schools at Bushey. In the first place, at the Centenary Festival the Most Worshipful Grand Master, the Prince of Wales, had the pleasure of announcing that some £140,000, a record sum, had been subscribed by benevolent Masons; and in the next place, H.R.H. deputed his brother, M.-W. the Duke of Connaught, Commander of Her Majesty's Forces in Ireland, to lay the foundation-stone of the new Schools, designed by MM. Gordon, Lowther, and Gunton. The architects' drawing for the quadrangular group of buildings has already been copied in the *F.I.P.*, and it cannot be doubted that the spacious new establishment will afford abundant accommodation for all the scholars. Yet

The Wood Green Schools, so admirably controlled by the self-sacrificing Board of Management, with a devoted Chairman in V.W. Bro. Eve, and an indefatigable Secretary in Bro. J. M. McLeod, and conducted by a zealous Head Master and Assistant Masters and Matron, have rendered such great service to the Masonic brotherhood that they will not be abandoned without regret. Directed by the experienced officers of Grand Lodge, conspicuous among whom were the Pro Grand Master, Earl Amherst, and the Grand Secretary, W. Bro. Letchworth,

The Ceremony Performed by the Duke of Connaught was one of the most impressive ever witnessed. It was a religious function of deep solemnity. The Duke spoke with remarkable ease and clearness. Everybody was delighted with the Queen's soldier-son, who afterwards laid the memorial-stone of the chapel for which W. Bro. Keyser is to pay the cost. H.R.H. won fresh laurels, and spoke with the greatest tact and good feeling at the luncheon, over which V.W. Bro. Eve presided to admiration. Conducted by Cavaliere L. Zavertal, the superb band of the Royal Artillery gave much pleasure to all present; and as caterers Messrs. Joseph Lyons and Co., as represented by MM. Salmon, were superexcellent, as the present Commissariat purveyors at Aldershot were bound to be.

Madame Sarah Bernhardt has expressed very complimentary opinions of the acting of Mrs. Patrick Campbell, who has won universal sympathy owing to her husband being killed in South Africa. Mrs. Campbell intends to play in Paris during next July, and, according to present arrangements, at Madame Bernhardt's theatre.

Mr. Penley's New Theatre, formerly the Novelty, in Great Queen Street, not being ready in time, the popular comedian has appeared in "A Little Ray of Sunshine" at the Kennington Theatre, where playgoers flocked to see Mr. Penley, and pronounced the performance to be not a little, but a big "ray of sunshine," owing to its geniality, humour, and sympathetic tone. Next Monday Mr. Penley hopes to start in his new theatre, which is a vast improvement on the Novelty in comfort, convenience, and decorative elegance.

Signora Duse.—This illustrious Italian actress is paying a brief visit to the Metropolis. From childhood Duse has known no other life than that of the stage. Before she was twelve she was an active member of a strolling company to which her father and mother belonged, and in that school she learned all that she knows of dramatic art. At sixteen she played Shakspere's Juliet, and since then she has never hesitated to interpret the creations of dramatists of many moods and many countries. She has made the classic characters of the Italian stage her own, and has taken from the German stage the "Magda" of Sudermann, from the French the "Femme de Claude" of Dumas, and from the Norwegian the "Doll's House" of Ibsen. Over sixteen years ago she first became the rage of Rome, and since then her position in Italy has been unquestioned. Salvini has declared that in emotional ideas she is supreme. Germany, Austria, Russia, France, England, and America have all received and crowned her. But of Duse herself the world knows little. Except in the theatre, she keeps herself carefully from the public gaze. Large audiences are naturally witnessing her performances at the Lyceum Theatre in London.

Signora Duse.

Mr. Martin Harvey postponed his triple bill at the Prince of Wales's Theatre until Tuesday, when the programme included the one-act play "Rouget de l'Isle" by Messrs. Freeman Wills and A. Fitzmaurice King; Captain Basil Hood's "Picture in Three Panels," "Dan and Little Christina," and concluding with "The Pantomime Rehearsal," in which Messrs. Weedon Grossmith and Brandon Thomas will again be seen in their original characters.

An Old Favourite, "Cinderella," is shortly to be seen as the heroine of a comedy, Miss Mabel Love representing the fireside heroine. The nursery story served as the libretto of a charming opera by Rossini, and has scores of times been used as a pantomime and burlesque subject. But in the forthcoming play, which will probably be on similar lines to Robertson's comedy "School," we are promised some altogether new ideas respecting Cinderella, the famous ball, the ugly sisters, the fairy godmother, the princely lover, and the glass slipper, etc.

The Recent Revival of "Dorothy" by Mr. Saunders, of the Coronet Theatre, was so successful that he has decided to revive the charming opera of "Rip Van Winkle," in which the story is so ingeniously employed as an operatic libretto, and the graceful music became so popular. By the way, Mr. Tree announces the play as his next novelty at Her Majesty's Theatre on May 30.

The Ottawa Fire Fund Performance at Drury Lane is postponed until June 19, in order not to clash with other fixtures. Mr. Franklin McLeay, who has chiefly organised the entertainment, will play Iago to the Othello of Mr. Beerbohm Tree in a scene from Shakspere's tragedy. Mr. Tree has several times played Iago, but his Othello will be an interesting novelty certain to attract attention.

SIRENIA, WINNER OF THE GREAT JUBILEE HANDICAP OF £3000 AT KEMPTON PARK LAST SATURDAY.

The Old Man's Foolishness.

BY WELLESLEY PAIN.

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GEORGE MARPLETON was in a very curious mood. He was thinking hard, apparently oblivious of the fact that the cigar between his teeth was not lit, and that the fire was nearly burnt out. Suddenly he roused himself, and jumped up to find a match. Then he took the small pair of tongs by his side, and put pieces of coal on the fire.

He leaned back in his easy-chair when the fire was burning brightly, and let his thoughts wander where they would. He was recalling his youth, and the one great event of his life—his engagement to Mary Inglis. He had loved her devotedly, and she had jilted him heartlessly. He was twenty-three at the time. Now he was seventy-three, but he had not forgotten his trouble. It was the old, old story. He was poor when he was twenty-three, and the man Mary Inglis married was rich. He, George Marpleton, was rich now.

Then his thoughts brought him back to the present day, and once or twice he smiled. He was thinking of a little conversation he had been having with his nephew Andrew Munro that very evening.

Andrew was his favourite nephew. They had been having an argument about love—and disillusion. George Marpleton was a misogamist, while Andrew was to be married in two months' time to Celia Franklin. It was only natural that the two men should hold different views on the subject of marriage.

"Well, my boy," Marpleton had said, "I don't want to disturb your happiness, but I warn you to be prepared for its sudden destruction. You must remember that love seldom or never lasts, and that it can be very easily extinguished altogether. So don't build up your hopes too high, my boy, and then, if the crash does come—I don't say that it will, mind you, or that I expect it to—but if it does come, you will thank me for having spoken like this."

George Marpleton recalled every word of his nephew's reply as he lay back in his easy-chair. He seemed to be listening to Andrew's earnest voice as he said: "Uncle, there is nothing and no person in the world that could possibly make us love each other less than we do now."

George Marpleton had told him that he was quite wrong. "My dear boy," he had said, "you 'll find that your pleasant little love-dream can be disturbed as easily as my old dog can at night-time. And then you 'll no more trust each other than the old dog would trust you if you walked near her kennel now."

It was while he was thinking of his nephew's conversation that an idea occurred to George Marpleton. He would test this young man's love and trustfulness. The thing would be quite easy; in fact, he would treat Celia Franklin in the same way. He had known Celia from her babyhood, and looked forward to her marriage with his nephew. He would not like to think that the marriage was not going to take place. He hoped that the little test he was going to put them to would not have a serious result. All he wished to do was to prove to both of them that there is no such thing in the world as perfect, trusting love.

The old bachelor chuckled to himself as he built up his plan. He meant to make the two lovers quarrel with each other, simply because they did not trust each other. When the thing had gone far enough he would show them that their love was not so perfect as they imagined it to be. Possibly his plan might result in the engagement being broken off. If it did—but he would not think of that.

What the plan was may be gathered from what took place at George Marpleton's house during the next month.

Miss Julia Marpleton, George Marpleton's eldest unmarried sister, acted as hostess for him, and the house was generally full of visitors. A week after Andrew had had his chat with his uncle, George Marpleton invited Mr., Mrs., and Miss Celia Franklin down for a month. In accepting the invitation Mrs. Franklin said that they would be extremely glad to come for a month, but Celia would have to be away the second week, as Mrs. Stockton, George's married sister, had invited her there for a week.

George Marpleton smiled as he read the letter. It was part of his plan that Celia should be away that second week.

The Franklins arrived, and during the first week of their visit Andrew and Celia very naturally saw a good deal of each other.

On the day that Celia left to go to Mrs. Stockton's, Uncle George came to Andrew and said—

"You want cheering up, my boy, and I intend that you shall have a jolly good time to-morrow. I've got a regular tribe of young folk coming over, and we're going to have a fancy dress carnival on the ice in the evening. A torchlight procession, and no end of fun, You've met the Prestons, haven't you? No? Ah, pretty girls, all of 'em. Take care of their eyes, my boy. Those girls have got dangerous eyes."

Andrew tried to smile, and Uncle George laughed at the feeble attempt.

"Ah, well," he said, coaxingly, "it 's only a week, you know. You must bear up till then."

On the following day the Prestons and numbers of other people arrived, and the ice carnival in the evening was a great success. Uncle George watched Andrew carefully whenever he could get an opportunity.

For the next day Uncle George arranged some skating races; and most of the people who had been at the carnival were present. Andrew worked hard at measuring out the different tracks. The task gave him a sufficient excuse for not talking much to other people.

In the evening, when everyone had gone to bed, Uncle George sat once more in front of the fire and consulted with himself. His little plan, which was to estrange Andrew and Celia, was at work. His face beamed with delight as he thought of the pretty lovers' quarrel he was creating.

The day before Celia was to return Uncle George received a letter from Mrs. Stockton, his sister, with whom Celia was staying. Uncle George took special care that Andrew should see him reading the letter. His face was very grave as he folded it up and put it in his pocket. He allowed Andrew to notice that there was something serious in the letter.

"No bad news, I hope?" said Andrew. "I heard from Celia the last post last night, and she didn't mention anything that——"

"Ah, my boy, it is hardly likely that she would. My sister tells me that—— Well, I hardly know how to break it to you. It 's very, very serious. You must be prepared to hear that——"

"No accident?" asked Andrew quickly. "Tell me, uncle, she is not hurt—in skating or anything? What is it?"

"My dear lad," said Uncle George solemnly—he was really a capital actor—"it is worse than an accident. Perhaps I had better read you the letter."

He took it out of his pocket, leaned back in the chair, and held the paper so as to conceal his face. As a rule he could never read anything without his spectacles, but he did not wear them on this occasion.

"Listen," he said. "Er—oh, that's nothing—here it is. 'Celia is a queer girl. I'm sure she is not the right sort of girl for our dear Andrew. We've had the Thompsons here, and really the way in which Celia has openly and ostentatiously flirted with both of them in turn is enough to make anyone doubt if her engagement to Andrew can ever result in a happy marriage. She is obviously a shallow-minded girl, attracted by fresh faces. I am sure she will never make Andrew happy. I leave it for you to decide as to whether you tell him this or not.'

"There you are, my boy," continued Uncle George, as he put the letter into the fire, "I am exceedingly sorry for you, but I thought you ought to be told. In a case of this sort a man is best left to think things out for himself; advice from others is useless. But cheer up, things mayn't be as bad as your aunt thinks."

Uncle George walked quickly away, and when he was quite alone he burst out laughing. "Yes," he said to himself, "I think that letter will do the trick. My word, how blue he looked!"

The next day when Celia returned Uncle George was not in to welcome her. But he came in and passed her on the stairs as he was going up to dress for dinner. After the usual greetigs he said—

"And now, my dear girl, I should like to have just a word with you before you go upstairs."

They entered his study.

"It 's about Andrew," said Uncle George. "He—er—I 'm very disappointed with him. I've had the Prestons staying here, you know. 'Pon my word, I think he must have forgotten all about you, my dear. He 's been behaving simply disgracefully, I think. Of course, it 's none of my business, but I thought you ought to know."

"Thank you for telling me, Uncle," said Celia, quietly, as she left the room.

Half an hour afterwards Uncle George came rushing downstairs in eager anticipation of seeing the result of his little plot. Andrew would, of course, be distant with Celia, and vice-versâ. The old man chuckled to himself as he entered the drawing-room. He looked forward to Andrew telling him that there had been a quarrel.

Although he had dressed quickly there were two other people in the room when he entered. They were hidden by a screen at the far corner of the room, but Uncle George could tell at once from their voices that they were Andrew and Celia. They had evidently not heard him come into the room. Uncle George listened.

"Yes," Celia was saying, "he 's been talking like that to me, too. I think the poor dear old man is slightly—well, not quite—er—idiotic, but childish at times. You know the old darling was the hero of a little romance when he was young, and I 'm afraid he 's never quite got over it. He 's an old darling, though, to have me here, and——"

"Yes," said Andrew, "he 's a good old sort. Of course I didn't argue with him. I knew you."

"And so did I," said Celia.

"Of course."

"Of course."

"Just as though anything could come between us," said Andrew.

Uncle George did not stay to hear Celia's reply. He could not have heard it if he had been in the room. His little plan had failed hopelessly, but for the first time for fifty years Uncle George was beautifully happy.

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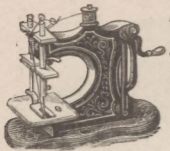

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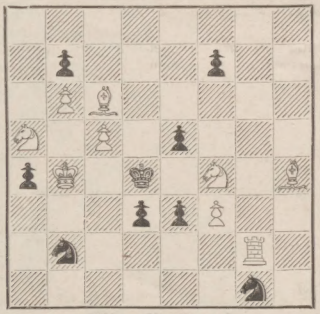
1. Kt to R 4th	K to K 4th	2. Q to R 2nd.	Mate.
1. ,,	B takes Kt	2. P to B 5th.	,, etc.

PROBLEM No. 322.—By R. COLLINSON.

BLACK (Nine Pieces).



WHITE (Nine Pieces).

White to play, and mate in two moves.

AN INTERESTING GAME FROM THE CITY OF LONDON TOURNAMENT.

The appended game may serve as a good illustration of the maxim that a battle is never won until it is lost. White in this game thoroughly outplayed Black, yet towards the end, his game appeared to be lost. The manner in which it was won reflects no discredit on Black.

WHITE (I. Gunsberg).	BLACK (E. O. Jones).
1. P to Q 4th	P to Q 4th
2. P to K 3rd	K Kt to B 3rd
3. B to Q 3rd	Kt to B 3rd
Not to be recommended.	
4. P to K 4th	Q Kt to Kt 5th
5. K Kt to B 3rd	

White, having prevented Black from playing P to K 4th, need not be afraid of Kt takes B, for, after P takes B, White's centre is all the stronger. Black cannot play Kt to K 5th, whereas White can do so.

5.	Kt takes B (ch)
6. P takes Kt	P to K 3rd
7. B to Q 2nd	B to K 2nd
8. B to B 3rd	B to Q 2nd
9. Q Kt to Q 2nd	P to Q Kt 4th

The object of this move was either to dislodge White's Bishop or else isolate White's Q Kt P, and obtain the open file for the Rook, as will be seen.

10. P to Q Kt 4th	P to Q R 4th
11. P to Q R 3rd	P takes P
12. P takes P	Castles
13. Castles	R to R 5th

This was the commencement of a struggle, in which Black came off second best, to obtain the command of the Queen's Rook's file.

14. Kt to K 5th	R takes B

If Q to R 1st, then P to Kt 4th.

15. Q takes R	Q to B 1st
16. P to Kt 4th	

P to Kt 5th threatens to win a piece. The Bishop must therefore move, and lose time.

16.	B to B 3rd
17. Kt to Kt 2nd	R to Q 1st
18. Q to Kt 2nd	B to A 1st
19. R to R 1st	Q to Kt 2nd
20. Q to K 2nd	

Again threatening P to Kt 5th, followed by 21. Kt to R 5th and Kt to B 6th.

20.	P to Kt 3rd
21. P to Kt 5th	Kt to R 4th
22. Kt to B 5th	

Black not having played his Kt to Q 2nd, Kt to B 5th is now a stronger move.

22.	B takes Kt

Very bold play this, but the alternative was to retire the Queen to Bishop square, where all the pieces remain blocked, as will be seen. Black was alive to the danger which threatened him from the unmasking of White's Bishop, but he had prepared a clever counter-stroke.

23. Q P takes B	P to Q 5th
24. B takes P	Kt takes P
25. Q to B 1st	Kt to R 4th
26. P to B 6th	

Forcing the Queen out of play, after all. B takes P was impossible.

26.	Q to B 1st
27. Kt to Kt 4th	P to K 4th

Another clever device. If Kt takes P, Q to K 3rd gets the Queen into play again.

28. Kt to R 6 (ch)	K to B 1st
29. B to B 5 (ch)	

A superior method of taking Black's K P, without allowing Black to play K to K 3rd.

29.	K to Kt 2nd
30. B to K 7th	R to Q 4th
31. P to K 4th	R to Q 5th
32. B to B 6 (ch)	K to B 1st
33. B takes P	R takes Kt P
34. R to R 7th	

This looked like a winning move sure enough, but it very nearly resulted disastrously. A simple way to win would have been 34. R to B 2nd, Q to K 3rd (there is no other move); 35. Q to B 6th (ch), Q to K 2nd; 36. Q to Kt 7th (ch), winning the Queen.

34.	Q to K 3rd
35. P to Q 4th	

If 35. R takes P, then R to Kt 8th; 36. Q takes R, Q takes B; 37. Q to Kt 4th (ch). K to Kt 2nd; 38. Q to K 7th, and Black would still have a lot of checks. 35. B takes P would have won easily, for then White would threaten 36. B to Q 6th, (ch), Q takes B; 37. R takes P (ch), etc.

35.	R to Kt 7th

It was fortunate for White that Black did not play here Q to Kt 6th, for, strange to say, there was no defence to this move. White now alights on a pretty winning combination.

36. R takes P	Q to Kt 6th
37. B to Q 6 (ch)	K to Kt 2nd
38. R takes P (ch)	R takes R
39. Q takes B (ch)	Q takes Q
40. Kt takes Q	P to Kt 5th
41. P to R 7th	R to Q B 7th
42. B to B 5th	Resigns.

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J. R. C.—It is obvious that this could not be done.

W. O. W.—The Council could not succeed in their demand.

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On Sheep-Dogs.

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ROUGH COLLIE.

public competitions, and thus gradually work up a strain; but such opportunities are so rare that it is better to break in one's own dogs. How much patience is required to do this properly is known only to those who have attempted it; but the reward is well worth the trouble the shepherd has gone to, a well-broken sheep-dog being a treasure. Strange to say, it is easier to train a half-bred sheep-dog than such a handsome specimen of the collie as the one illustrated, rough collies lacking the intelligence of the queer-looking dogs of nondescript breeding one meets with in all sheep-rearing districts.

The Rouen Duck.

This famous variety of duck is commonly supposed to derive its name from the city of Rouen in France; but it is also suggested, and with some authority, that the name is derived from "roan," as in many parts the breed is known as the roan duck, and in other places as the "rowan" duck, the latter term being that applied to fields kept up

ROUEN DUCKS.

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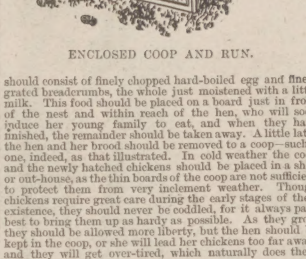

ENCLOSED COOP AND RUN.

should consist of finely chopped hard-boiled egg and finely grated breadcrumbs, the whole just moistened with a little milk. This food should be placed on a board just in front of the nest and within reach of the hen, who will soon induce her young family to eat, and when they have finished, the remainder should be taken away. A little later the hen and her brood should be removed to a coop—such a one, indeed, as that illustrated. In cold weather the coop and the newly hatched chickens should be placed in a shed or out-house, as the thin boards of the coop are not sufficient to protect them from very inclement weather. Though chickens require great care during the early stages of their existence, they should never be coddled, for it always pays best to bring them up as hardy as possible. As they grow they should be allowed more liberty, but the hen should be kept in the coop, or she will lead her chickens too far away, and they will get over-tired, which naturally does them harm.

Milk-Floats.

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A MILK-CART.

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A. ROACH.—Instead of 9—13 play 9—14, and draw.

WALTER SOWBY.—See answer to F. L. L.

J. S.—No. 2 Problem, 8—12 also wins. No. 1 accepted.

THANKS to all.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM No. 283.—By J. E. JONES.

Black: 4, 5, 12, 13, 17, 19, 25, 28&.

White: 6, 7, 11, 14, 15, 16, 27.

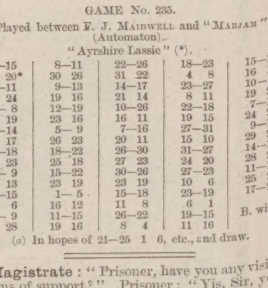
White to move, and win.

7 2	19—26	11 8	9—2		
18—9	15 10	4—11	7 14		
27 23	12—19	2 7	W. wins.		

PROBLEM No. 284.

BY J. ADAMS (Towcester).

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to move, and win.

GAME No. 235.

Played between F. J. MAIDWELL and "MARJAN" (Automaton).

"Ayrshire Lassie" (*).

11—15	8—11	22—26	18—23	15—10
24 20*	30 26	31 22	4 8	16 19
8—11	9—13	14—17	23—32	10—7
28 24	19 16	21 14	8 11	19 24
4—8	12—19	10—26	22—18	7—11
23 19	23 16	16 11	19 15	24 27
9—14	5—9	7—16	27—31	9—14
22 17	26 23	20 11	15 10	29 25
15—18	18—22	26—30	31—27	14—17
26 23	25 18	27 23	24 20	28 24a
6—9	15—22	30—26	27—23	11—15
17 13	23 19	23 19	10 6	25 21
11—15	1— 5	15—18	23—19	17—22
13 6	16 12	11 8	6 1	
2— 9	11—15	26—22	19—15	B. wins.
32 28	19 16	8 4	1 10	

(*a*) In hopes of 21—25 1 6, etc., and draw.

Magistrate: "Prisoner, have you any visible means of support?" Prisoner: "Yis, Sir, your Honour." (To his wife, a laundress): "Bridget, stand up, so that the Coort can see yez."

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£50 BUSINESS
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£50 TRICHORD PIANO

£50 PLOT OF LAND
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£50 VENTRILOQUIST'S FIGURES
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THE WORLD OF WOMEN.

HER MAJESTY'S VISIT TO LONDON last week was another welcome proof of the excellent health the Queen is enjoying. Our beloved Sovereign fairly beamed with happiness in bowing to her loyal subjects during her drives through the West End. Apropos of Her Majesty's exemplary devotion to the high duties of State, as exemplified in her recent visit to Ireland and her unrelaxing interest in the progress of the War, I have much pleasure in calling the attention of my readers to

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MADAME MELBA, PRIMA DONNA OF THE ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA, COVENT GARDEN.

Madame Melba,

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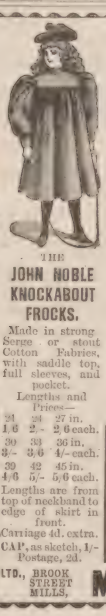

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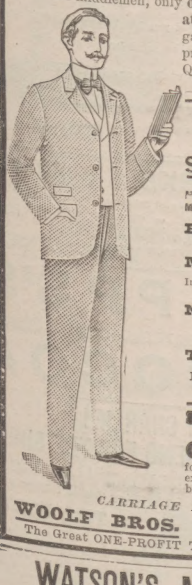

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500	Cash Prizes, 10/- each	250	0 0
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500	Gents' Gun-Metal Watches, 10/- each	250	0 0
500	Ladies' Umbrellas, 7/6 each	187	10 0
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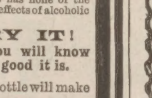

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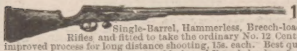

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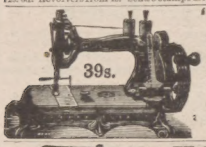

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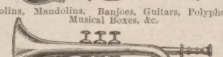

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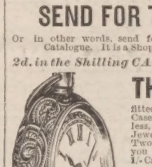

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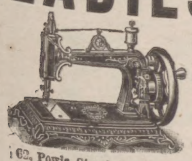

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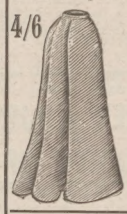

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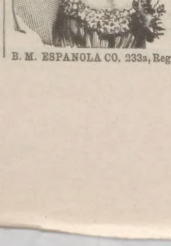

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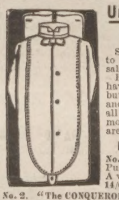

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